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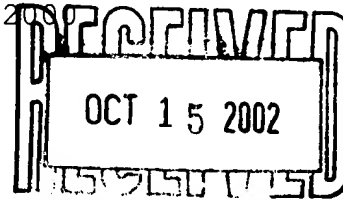
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"ETR 211: Digital Video Broadcasting (DVB); Guidelines on implementation and usage of Service Information (SI)", ETSI Technical Report, August 1997, pages 1-42.

The references listed above were cited by the European Examiner in the Search Report (copy enclosed) in Applicants' counterpart European patent application 02 00 5000 (MPEP §2001.06(a)).

Copies of the above-listed references are enclosed, together with a completed form PTO-1449.

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Consideration of these references by the Examiner is respectfully requested. To date, a first Office Action on the merits has not been received in connection with this application. This Information Disclosure Statement is therefore believed to be timely filed.

Respectfully submitted,

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